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foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents (International Search Report for PCT/JP2004/017492 dated March 22, 2005), together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office.. In addition, Applicants attach English language Abstracts for JP 6-168627, JP 7-182930, JP 8-7672, JP 10-1585, JP 2000-212365, JP 2001-288227, JP 2002-53620, JP 2002-114811, JP 2002-114884 and JP 2003-192731.

Also, in compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants submit machine translations of JP 2002-212365 and JP 2002-114884. Additionally, U.S. Patent No. 6,528,600 claims priority from JP 2002-114811 and U.S. Patent No. 6,737,490 claims priority from JP 2002-53620.

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